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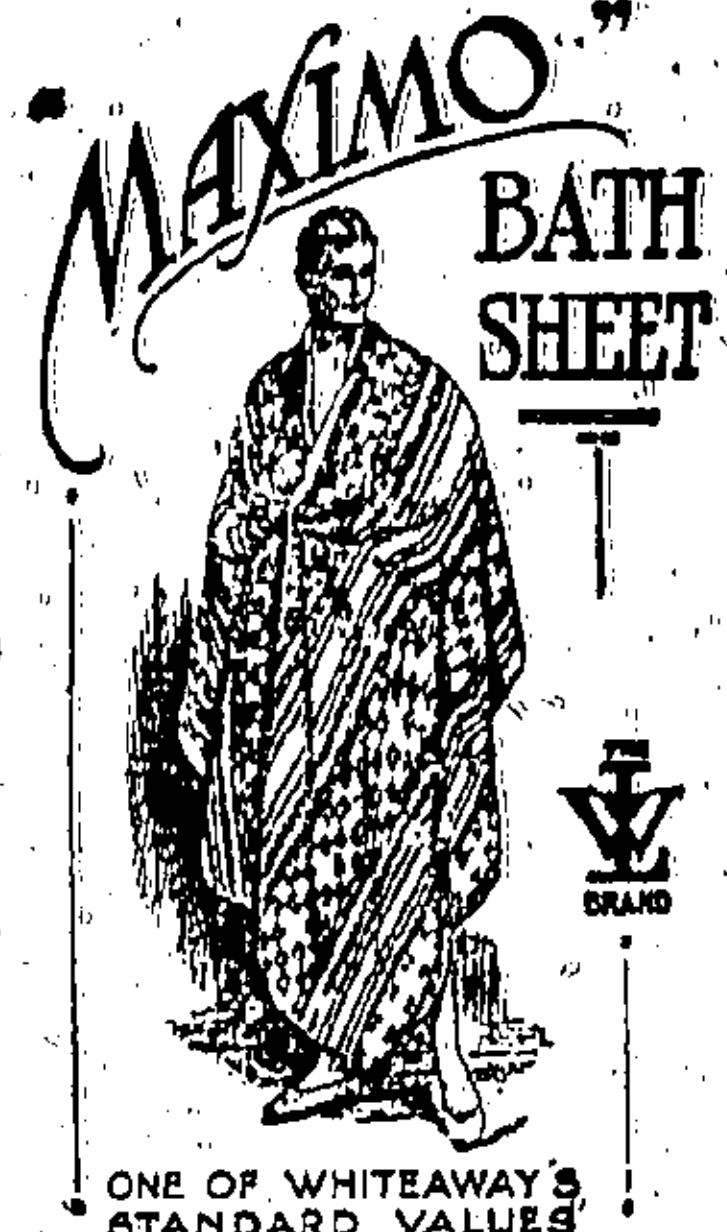
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NANKING SHELLING Japanese Consul Reported Killed. AMERICAN CASUALTIES

Many Foreigners Still In The City.

Further details have been received to-day of the shelling of Nanking and of the heroic rescue work of the British Navy. Latest reports are that, besides the killing of a British subject, and the wounding of the British Consul-General, the Japanese Consul has been killed, one British bluejacket has been killed, six Marines are missing and ten British subjects are still unaccounted for. The Americans are also reported to have suffered casualties and one hundred Americans are still in the city. The main feature of the disorder was that the Cantonese forces were completely out of control when they arrived in Nanking.

TROOPS RUN RIOT.

Japanese Consul Reported Killed.

The following wireless messages were received by the local naval authorities this morning:—
The general retreat of Northern troops from Nanking commenced on Wednesday night, massed troops endeavouring to cross the river and machine guns and bombs being used to keep Chinese transports clear until embarkation arrangements were organised.
Foreigners in Danger.

Foreigners inside Nanking city were concentrated in Nanking University in view of the grave situation but two small groups were isolated.
The Cantonese General Pei Chen-wei captured the city and allowed the Northern troops to cross the river.
A large fire started in Hsai-kwan (Nanking) at about 5 a.m. yesterday but was got under control by 8 a.m., by which time the advance guard of the Cantonese forces had arrived and rifle fire commenced from both sides of the river.

Northern troops were being rounded up at about 9 a.m.

Soviet Vessel Scuttled.
Chinese transports have left down-river and the Northerners, before leaving, scuttled the Soviet vessel "Pamiat Lenina" which

\$160,000 GIFT.

Hospital Benefactor Remains Anonymous.

Rugby, March 24.
Prince Arthur of Connaught announced at the Middlesex Hospital to-day that an anonymous person had given £160,000 to the hospital towards providing a complete hostel and training school for nurses.—British Wireless Service.

they captured when they detained Mrs. Borodini who was on board.

In the forenoon, the British consulate at Nanking was attacked and looted.

Two ratings of small armed guard stationed there have reached H.M.S. "Emerald" and report that the British Consul has been wounded and Dr. Smith, a British subject, has been killed.

The remainder of the foreign residents were then making their way to Standard Oil hill accompanied by a small American guard.

Japanese Consul.
The Japanese Consul is reported to have been killed.

The main feature of the disorder was that the Cantonese forces were completely out of control at the time of their arrival in Nanking.

The Consulate was attacked by a crowd of undisciplined soldiers who are reported to have been Cantonese.

British hulks have been abandoned and the evacuation of women and children is proceeding as fast as possible.

H.M.S. "Wolsey" was sent to the scene from Wuhu and assisted in the evacuation from the International Export Company. Complete evacuation of this building will probably be necessary, the situation is so critical.

H.M.S. "Caradoc" is also reported to have been sent to the spot.

Naval Vessels Open Fire.

Later.
The third wireless message states: "Foreigners have evacuated Nanking, after covering fire

was opened from naval vessels over an area not inhabited by civil population.

The Southern General sent a deputation on board H.M.S. "Emerald" and they were told that the following terms were demanded: (1) Immediate enforcement of an order for the protection of foreigners.

(2) That an escort of the "best" Chinese troops should be provided to assist the remaining foreigners to evacuate.

According to a Reuter message, no reply had been received to these demands up to early this morning.

Killed and Missing.
The approximate number of British residents still unaccounted for in the city is ten.

Six Marines are missing.

One A.B. is reported killed. It is reported that there are still 100 Americans still unaccounted for in the city.

Destroyers assisted in the evacuation of the foreign residents that are accounted for. The evacuation of the foreign residents was opened whilst foreigners escaped over the walls of the installations in which they had taken shelter.

Naval parties were then landed from British and American vessels and assisted in their rescue.

H.M.S. "Cricket" is on its way to Nanking with a merchant convoy.

HEROIC EFFORTS.

Sailors Under Cantonese Fire.

Shanghai, March 25.
The latest messages from Nanking state that naval rescuers approached the hill under renewed fire from the Cantonese resulting in further foreign casualties, including some Americans.

Ultimately, however, as the result of this heroic effort, the remaining foreigners were evacuated.

Dr. Satchwell Smith, who was killed, had resided at Nanking for sixteen years. He was a native of Birmingham. His wife was among the refugees arriving to-day.

Mr. Giles is now reported to have been severely wounded. There are probably other British casualties.—Reuter.

Women and Children.

Rugby, March 24.
At Nanking, which was occupied by the Cantonese troops this morning, a tense situation exists.

According to a Press message a tiny band of foreigners concentrated on a hill were shelled by Cantonese irregulars.

British and American warships put up a barrage of shell fire around the hill, and despatched landing parties, who effected the evacuation of the foreigners, though it is stated that the latter suffered some casualties.

Official information would make it appear that these foreigners could have included a few women or children.

A number of foreign women and children had already left Nanking before the Cantonese occupation, and with the exception of a few who remained in the native city the rest had been concentrated in a building on the bank where protection could be afforded.—British Wireless Service.

EARLIER MESSAGES.

First Reports of Nanking Shelling.

Shanghai, March 24.
According to a wireless message from Nanking, Chinese

AMERICA'S ANXIETY

Three More Cruisers For Shanghai.

NON-BRITISH THANK BRITAIN!

Washington, March 24.

At the request of Rear-Admiral Williams the light cruisers "Richmond," "Marblehead" and "Cincinnati" have been ordered to Shanghai immediately from Honolulu.—Reuter's American Service.

[An earlier message stated that the U.S. destroyers "Phillsbury," "Ford" and "Perry" had been ordered to Shanghai immediately.]

SAVING SHANGHAI.

Non-British Residents Thank Britain.

Shanghai, March 25.

Non-British foreigners at Shanghai are widely signing a message to the British Government stating that if the British troops had not arrived when they

CAPTAIN MACKINTOSH.

Alive and Well In England.

Captain Mackintosh, who was reported yesterday, in the course of our report of the Bias Bay expedition to have died at Shanghai as the result of injuries received in the "Tung Chow" to state to-day, alive and well in England, whether he went after his leg had been amputated below the knee. The operation proved completely successful, and Captain Mackintosh has since been married. The "China Mail" regrets that it should have published yesterday's report of his death, which it is only fair to add emanated from an official source.

did, the women and children would have had to be evacuated and the Settlement would probably have shared the fate of Hankow and Kiukiang.

The message expresses appreciation to the Government for prompt and adequate measures for the defence of Shanghai.

Many Americans have signed the message, including Mr. Fessenden, the American Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council.—Reuter.

Official Attitude.

Washington, March 24.

The failure by the American Consul-General at Shanghai to participate in discussions with Pai Chung-hai is not construed as indicating American unwillingness to deal with the de facto authorities.

It is recalled that on the contrary Mr. Kellogg some weeks ago proposed the elimination of Shanghai from the zone of hostilities, but the warring leaders did not respond.—Reuter's American Service.

troops, believed to be Cantonese irregulars, shelled the hill near the north gate of the city where the foreigners are concentrated, killing a Briton, Doctor Smith, and wounding H.B.M.'s Consul, Mr. Giles, and another Briton.

H.M.S. "Emerald" and the U.S. destroyers "Noa" and "Preston" shelled the area around the hill to permit of its evacuation after which the vessels landed armed parties.

Further wireless reports state that another Briton was wounded.

British Consulate Looted.

Undisciplined Cantonese troops looted the city. The British Consulate was looted and the American Consul and his staff evacuated the U.S. Consulate, taking refuge on the hill.

Later.
A number of Americans also were killed at Nanking by the shelling and some were wounded.—Reuter.

Mr. Bertram Giles is one of the best known of H.B.M. Consuls in China. He was born in Hankow, son of Prof. H. A. Giles. He came out again from home as student interpreter in 1895 and has served at a number of ports. In 1924 he was Consul-General at Canton.

FRESH DANGER.

Women and Children Leave Hankow.

CHANGSHA FRACAS.

Wuhu Plastered With Anti-British Posters.

Owing to the situation at Hankow, the women and children are again leaving that port. There has been a slight fracas at Changsha in which a British sailor has been injured. The whole town at Wuhu is plastered with anti-British posters.

The following wireless messages were received by the local naval authorities this morning:—
Women and children are being evacuated from Hankow.
Troops are proceeding down-river.

The situation is unchanged but there are rumours of an organisation forcing the issue.

The whole town at Wuhu is plastered with anti-British posters but otherwise there is no change to record.

A slight fracas occurred on Wednesday night at Changsha between natives and men from H.M.S. "Woodcock" as a result of which one of the Bluejackets received a slight head injury.

The situation at Chungking remains the same.

The Commissioner for Foreign Affairs has left Hankow.

SHANGHAI CALMER.

Nationalist General Promises Order.

Rugby, March 24.

Asked about negotiations between the Nationalist commander in Shanghai and the British authorities, Sir Austen Chamberlain, British Foreign Secretary, stated in Parliament that the British Consul-General, with his Japanese and French colleagues, the Commissioner of Customs and the Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, met the Nationalist general yesterday morning and urged him to control the irregulars and to stop sniping which had already caused casualties to foreign forces.

The Nationalist commander, whose attitude was moderate and reasonable, said he assumed responsibility for the maintenance of order, and was taking steps for the examination of unauthorised bodies functioning in the name of the Nationalist Government. He hoped the strike would be called off to-day.

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reported that the attitude of irregulars and armed labourers, led by Communist agitators, was still uncertain, but order prevailed in the Settlement.—British Wireless Service.

Business Being Resumed.
Rugby, March 24.

Press telegrams to-day state that the efforts of General Pai Chung-hai, the Nationalist Commander, to restore order have met with success.

Complying with his demand, the general strike has been called off, while business is being generally resumed, except in the devastated Chapei district.

Omnibuses are running and it is stated that the tramway services will be restored this evening.—British Wireless Service.

TROOPS AND CHINA.

British War Secretary's Statement.

London, March 24.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. H. Day (Labour) as to whether it was at present intended to send any further British troops to Shanghai, Sir L. Worthington-Evans, Secretary for War, said the First Devons were at present going to Shanghai from Hong Kong. He was unable to forecast what other changes it might be found necessary to make in the composition of the force at Shanghai.

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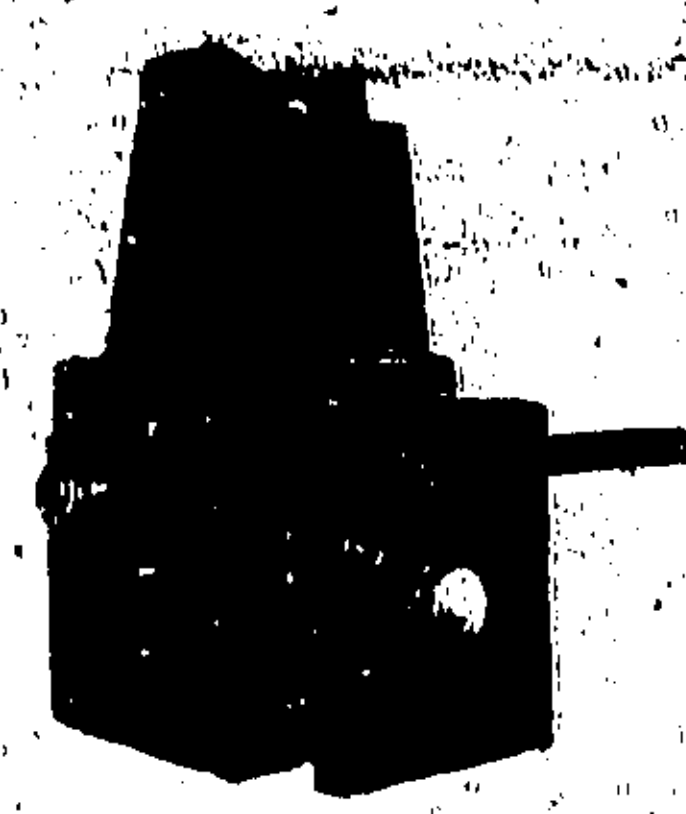
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the COMPANY (since its registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 26th March, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st October, 1926.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 18th day of March, to MONDAY, the 28th day of March, 1927, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.
Hong Kong, 14th March, 1927.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, on SATURDAY, 26th March, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 26th MARCH, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
J. D. THOMSON, Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 11th March, 1927.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE 88TH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

in the above Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of March, 1927, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 22nd March, 1927, until WEDNESDAY, the 30th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.
Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

NOTICES.

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THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on SATURDAY, 26th March, 1927, commencing at 2.15 p.m. The first bell will be rung at 1.50 p.m. The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1. for all persons including Ladies.

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Hong Kong, 21st March, 1927.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the Thirtieth day of March, 1927, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon when the subject of Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, viz:—

"That the regulations contained in the printed document submitted to the Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be approved and adopted as the 'Articles of Association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all existing Articles thereof.'"

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the same place on THURSDAY, the Twenty-first day of April, 1927, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings of the above mentioned meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

A copy of the proposed new Articles of Association of the Company with the alterations, amendments and differences between the existing and new Articles incorporated and indicated in red ink can be seen during usual business hours at the Registered Office of the Company aforesaid.

Dated the 12th day of March, 1927.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hong Kong, 16th March, 1927.

NOTICES.

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WE beg to inform the public that hitherto cheques and other negotiable instruments and all other documents, chopped with the chop of our firm and countersigned by our Manager, Mr. Pun Yat Kai only, were recognized and admitted by us. Mr. Pun Yat Kai, however, being now unable to reside permanently in Hong Kong owing to business affairs abroad, WE HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that on and after this date our firm will recognize and admit all cheques and other negotiable instruments and all other documents chopped with the chop of our firm and countersigned by either the said Mr. Pun Yat Kai or our Treasurer, Mr. Woo Fak Fong, and we shall not be responsible for or recognize any documents otherwise executed.

Dated the 18th day of March, 1927.

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THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO. (1918), LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of The China Light & Power Co. (1918), Ltd., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the Thirtieth day of March, 1927, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon when the subject of Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, viz:—

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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

NOTICES.

CLUB LUSITANO.

CIRCULAR

A Comissão Directora do Club Lusitano tem a honra de convidar os Exmos. Srs. socios e suas Exmas. famílias das seguintes instituições:— Club de Recreio, Associação Portuguesa de Socorros Mutuos, Club Lusitano, os demais membros da Comunidade Portuguesa e os amigos do Exmo. Sr. Dr. Jose Caetano Soares, para assistirem a recepção (cha e dança) que terá lugar na Sexta-feira, 23 do corrente, as 17.30, na Sala de Banhos, em honra de Exmo. Sr. Dr. JOSE CAETANO SOARES e sua Exma. Esposa.

O Secretario,

B. D. DA ROZA.

Hong Kong, 22 de Março de 1927

DENISON, RAM & GIBBS.

MR. E. A. RAM retires from this firm on 31st March, 1927, and will have no interest nor responsibility in any work done by the firm after that date. The business will be carried on under the name of Denison, Ram & Gibbs by Messrs. L. Gibbs and E. F. R. Sample.

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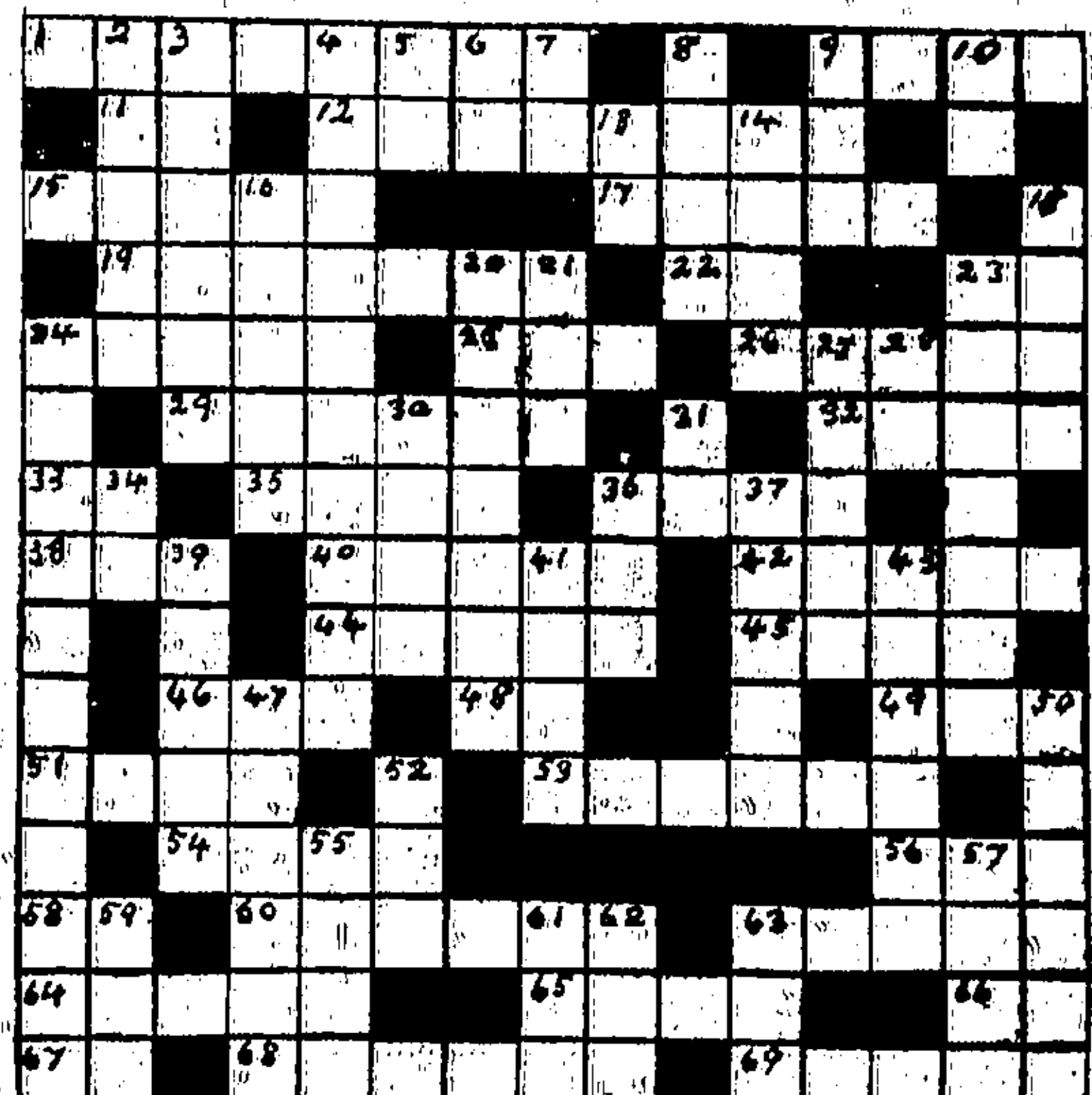
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1. The PRIZES in this competition are AWARDED STRICTLY on MERIT.
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8. The coupon must not be defaced in any way. All attempts must be in plain block letters and legible.
9. The Editor's decision will be final and binding in all matters of dispute, and he reserves the right to enter into Correspondence regarding the Competition.
10. Solutions will be published with the results, in this paper, every Thursday following the Closing Date.
11. Coupons will be kept for four days after the results of the competition have been published.
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[Coupons received at the "China Mail" Office after mid-day on Monday will not be included in the competition.]

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| <p>Clues Across.</p> <p>1. A long picture or writing in silk, that rolls up (Jap.)</p> <p>9. To grasp.</p> <p>11. Prefix meaning "twice" or "double."</p> <p>12. Magazine for military stores.</p> <p>15. Flare.</p> <p>17. Sombrero guano.</p> <p>19. Bent down.</p> <p>22. Exclamation of joy.</p> <p>23. To proceed.</p> <p>24. A large watery fruit.</p> <p>25. A point.</p> <p>26. Soils.</p> <p>29. The right of first choice belonging to the oldest.</p> <p>32. Lengthens.</p> <p>33. Sixth note in scale.</p> <p>35. A peer of the realm.</p> <p>36. A tap for liquor.</p> <p>38. Printer's measure (plural).</p> <p>40. To form as an orb.</p> <p>42. To stir up.</p> <p>44. A genus of moths.</p> <p>45. An eagle's nest.</p> <p>46. A period of years.</p> <p>48. Electro-Plate (abbrev).</p> <p>49. The yarn for a weaver's warp.</p> <p>51. To cry like an owl.</p> <p>53. Sombred foodstuff.</p> <p>54. Frosted foodstuff.</p> <p>58. ISN (actual).</p> <p>59. IA (actual).</p> <p>60. To crowd.</p> <p>63. One of the irregular Turkish cavalry.</p> <p>64. Triple reed musical instruments.</p> <p>65. A Greek spoutless vase or jug.</p> <p>66. Wa.</p> <p>67. NA (actual).</p> <p>68. Heavily built.</p> <p>69. An inlet of the sea.</p> | <p>Clues Down.</p> <p>2. Ill use.</p> <p>3. An upper garment.</p> <p>4. A salad dressing.</p> <p>5. Alternative.</p> <p>6. NS (actual).</p> <p>7. OE (actual).</p> <p>8. To mix small.</p> <p>9. HST (actual).</p> <p>10. Number abbreviated.</p> <p>13. Word of denial.</p> <p>14. A limestone.</p> <p>16. Unbound.</p> <p>18. To fling heedlessly.</p> <p>20. To confine.</p> <p>21. A maid employed in a dairy.</p> <p>23. GREASYB (actual).</p> <p>24. A wrong doing.</p> <p>27. A country bumpkin (then reverse it).</p> <p>28. United Kingdoms (abbrev).</p> <p>30. The eagle.</p> <p>31. To perform any action.</p> <p>34. First pers. sing. of verb "To Bo."</p> <p>35. CBA (actual).</p> <p>36. A thin silk.</p> <p>37. The wing case of a beetle.</p> <p>41. Tears open.</p> <p>43. The muse of astronomy.</p> <p>47. Severe spasmodic pains in the intestines.</p> <p>50. To send away.</p> <p>52. Consumed.</p> <p>55. First.</p> <p>57. To close.</p> <p>59. A camel's hair garment.</p> <p>61. A tooth on a wheel.</p> <p>62. A town in Cambridgeshire.</p> <p>68. SEP (actual).</p> |
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The Straits Marine Department notify shipping that a shoal has been reported in the South Channel, Penang Harbour.

This appears to be a very small shoal head which has been missed by the dredger, and it was apparently the patch on which the B.I. steamer, "Ekma" grounded on March 7.

Action is being taken in the matter. The master of the "Van Heutz" reports on March 10 having passed a Chinese junk abandoned in a position with One Fathom Bank Light-house bearing N29 degrees E, distance two miles.

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BORNEO MARU Tuesday, 5th April.

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HOZAN MARU Sunday, 27th March, 10 a.m.

KAIJO MARU Sunday, 3rd April, 10 a.m.

TAKAO Via SWATOW & AMOY.

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Everybody at Home will be "full of" Shanghai. This week's "Overland China Mail" summarises all the events leading up to the Nationalist capture. With carefully written explanations, each message will tell your folks at Home exactly what they want to know.

Friends will be expecting to hear all you have to inform them. Instead of writing laborious letters, post them a copy of the "Overland," as a link between Hong Kong and the Old Country.

HOW PIRATES PREY ON BRITISH SHIPS.

Prominence was given in many ways to the piracy of the "Sunning." Meagre details have been cabled Home about the latest attack on another British vessel, the "Hopsang."

The description is also included in this week's "Overland" and will make interesting reading.

As usual, all the local news and China despatches have been reproduced.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

The Government of Johore has given \$100,000 to the Malayan Flood Relief Fund.

Four cases of notifiable disease were reported to the Medical Officer of Health on Thursday, all from the city, comprising two Chinese with small-pox, a Chinese with diphtheria and a Portuguese with enteric fever (typhoid).

Six people were killed and twelve injured by an explosion which occurred in an amusement hall in Turner (Idaho) recently. The explosion was due to a match being lit when the acetylene lights went out. Two hundred people were in the hall watching a game of indoor basketball.

The "Come to Britain" movement fills a much wanted place in the national life, enabling citizens of the Dominions and of America to know Britain better, said Mr. Sydney Pascall at a luncheon of the Rotarians. "It is estimated," he continued, "that 25,000 first-class visitors from Australia last year spent £300 each, and 25,000 second-class visitors £100 each, totalling £10,000,000, which amount of business is not to be sneezed at, even in these capacious times."

In the report on Wednesday of the recent arrest following a raid upon the servants' quarters of Messrs. E. D. Sasoon & Co., Ltd., it was stated that an employee of that firm was arrested on a charge of being implicated in the burglary at Messrs. Powell's, but subsequently released. The "China Mail" has been asked by Messrs. E. D. Sasoon & Co., Ltd., to state that no charge was made against any of their employees in connection with the theft at Messrs. Powell's.

A difficult problem confronts Lieut.-General Sir Michael Rimgton, colonel of the 6th-6th Dragoon, and his brother officers. The 6th (Inniskilling) Dragoons, as they were styled before amalgamation with the 5th Dragoon Guards, have collected a handsome sum of money for the purpose of erecting a war memorial to officers and men of the regiment who fell in the war. Now they do not know where to erect it. Enniskillen, in Ireland, at once suggests itself, but now that Ireland is a Free State few of the officers or men are likely ever to go back there and see the memorial. The alternatives are either a central site in London or somewhere on the Hindenburg line. Opinions are still being invited from retired officers in the hope of reaching some satisfactory compromise.

During the performance at the City Hall last night, a thief entered the performer's cloakroom and stole clothing worth \$101.

"\$100 each to his grandsons, John Moore Antrobus and Edwin Hardwick Moore, if he keeps his promise neither to smoke nor drink before he is 21." This is an item in the will of the late Mr. Edwin Samuel Moore, of York Lodge, Erdington, Birmingham, one of the founders of the Midland Vinegar Co. (now H.P. Sauce, Ltd.), who left \$615,769 (net personalty \$609,760).



Mr. T. V. Soong, who is a brother-in-law of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, and Minister of Finance of the Canton Government.

Being on the staff of an Army is not altogether without its compensations in the way of humour. Remarks the "North China Daily News" of March 21. Yesterday, for some reason or other, two Punjabis had to visit the headquarters of the Jhansi Brigade in the Chartered Bank building, and they brought their pet goat with them. While they were in the act of delivering their message, the goat escaped, and promptly made for the Brigade Commander's office. They made a dash after it, but the goat then turned into another room and it had to be chivvied through the greater part of the Brigade premises. It was finally captured in the Intelligence Office.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. C. W. H. Cochrane, Under Secretary to Government, F.M.S., has been appointed to be General Adviser to the Government of Johore.

Mr. Arthur Deaman, who, in his 40 years as Clerk of Assize in the South-Eastern Circuit, has not missed one of the 120 Assizes held, is to receive a presentation from members of the Kent Grand Jury.

The death of Mr. C. O. Hagedorn took place at his residence, 441, Paish Panjang, Singapore, after a long illness. He was, for a period of 19 years in the Installation Dept. of the Asiatic Petroleum Co. (S.S.), Ltd. He retired in July last owing to ill-health. Much sympathy will be felt for his widow and ten children.

That cinema-going is becoming rapidly fashionable is exemplified by the list of distinguished people who saw the first presentation of "Don Juan." Lord and Lady Curzon headed a list which included nearly fifty persons with titles. There was "a little informal reception" at the theatre before the film began.

Sir Thomas Strangman, a director of the Singapore Traction Company, Ltd., has arrived in Singapore on a tour of inspection. Sir Thomas was educated at Trinity Hall Cambridge and of the same year as the Bishop of Singapore and the Chief Justice, Sir William Murlison. He was Advocate-General and member of the Legislative Council, Bombay, from 1908-1915 and from 1916-1922 and contested Crew Division of Cheshire in the General election of 1924, in the Conservative interest. Sir Thomas expects to sail for home on March 25 by the "Mongolia."

Almina Countess of Carnarvon was involved in a motor-car accident on the Albert Embankment, Lambeth. She received a severe cut on the forehead, and suffered from shock. Her motor-car had just moved off after she had made a call at business premises in company with her husband, Colonel Ian Dennistoun, when a motor lorry coming from behind, came into collision with the car. Lady Carnarvon was thrown forward from her seat and over the car. While a first-aid was applied to the wound she was driven to St. Thomas's Hospital, a short distance away. After medical attention was given, Carnarvon was taken to her home at Boreham Place, Park Lane.

Mr. Henry Ford, the motor car magnate, whose fortune is estimated at \$200,000,000.

The wedding was solemnised at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, between Francis Ashton Johnson and Beryl Blanche Reid, who arrived from Shanghai on the "Patrolous." The bride was given away by Capt. Clarke of the "Patrolous." Miss Pat Master of Shanghai was bridesmaid and Mr. Oliver Welby was best man.

Mr. W. J. C. Rodrigues, who was formerly employed on the s.s. "Kishan" has been appointed an assistant of the "Coal Oil," the new basement bar at the Hotel Savoy.

As the result of a fall while alighting from a moving bus in Wuhu Street, a Chinese received injuries to his head and shoulder. He was taken to the Kowloon hospital for treatment.

What with Running Dogs and Alley Cats the disputes in China have furnished us with much amusing news, remarks a Singapore paper and if the one would only chase the other and leave honest people to come by their own every-body would be quite pleased.

What the "Singapore Free Press" Topicalist wants to know is what is the lady's real name. She is either Madame Borodin, Mrs. Brown or Frau Grosberg, and kaleidoscopic as the marriage changes of Russians are alleged to be now, the Topicalist really cannot credit that she has had time to ring all these changes in husbands since her capture.

Who has ever experienced such weather in Singapore at this time of the year? asks the "Straits Times." The last three days have not only been oppressively hot and the atmosphere full of humidity but even the nights have afforded little, if any, relief. Every day is a Sunday yet without Sunday's corresponding advantages. However much we may risk incurring the ridicule of ex-residents of Singapore, yet we cannot refrain from stating that our city is now in the throes of a "heat wave." What can be done about it? It does not seem quite fair to put the blame on to the Governor, and we see no particular advantage in demanding a reduction of even \$1 from the salary of the local Clerk of the Weather, or whoever may be the official who watches over our Meteorological department. Yet restless nights followed by blazing days are peculiarly trying to the temper. We trust, however, that none of us will take a mean advantage of the heat wave to get off some of those expressions of personal opinion which we have so long been nursing against the other fellow but which so far we have so generously withheld. For ourselves we are adopting the Coué method. We keep assuring ourselves that "every day and in every way we are getting cooler and cooler." But to those to whom the Coué method is unsuited we offer the suggestion once offered by Punch in similar circumstances—"Keep cool."

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SPORTS SECTION

RACE PROSPECTS.

PONIES WHICH MAY PAY TO FOLLOW.

FIELDS ON BIG SIDE?

[By "Patrol"]

Prospects have hardly ever been more open for an extra meeting as for to-morrow's race, the first "extra" of the Hong Kong Jockey Club season.

Four handicaps are included in the card of nine events and the weights allotted have pleased the greatest majority. Owners who disapprove of their chances in the handicaps will still be well catered for.

I expect to see at least 6 or 7 ponies in nearly every race, with a bigger field in some of the events.

Recent rains have improved the grass on the track and not made it too heavy. From appearances at the time of writing, it looks as if to-morrow's going will be slightly on the heavy side but not really sloppy.

Primary interest will be attached to the 4th Race, First Aggregate Stakes (one mile)—the big event of the day, with a \$100 sweep. Four ponies are practically certain.

TO-MORROW'S TIPS.

Final Selections: 1st Extra Race Meeting.

"Patrol's" final selections for the first extra (1st) race meeting of the season, will be in to-morrow's "China Mail" (published at mid-day).

The first race starts at 2:15 p.m. and there are nine events on the card, each following at intervals of just under 30 minutes or so.

To newcomers: Allow 20 minutes at least to get down to the course by tram and about 10 minutes by motor.

starters, viz., Brigade Call, Misty Eve, Atababy and Saligia. King of the Plains and either Grey Morn or Total Abstinence may also be saddled.

Taking everything into consideration, I shall expect Misty Eve to beat the "old" ponies and Saligia ought to get a place at least.

As it is still raining, Grande del Norte may pay to watch for the 1st Race, Happy Valley Handicap "A" (6 furlongs). Over this distance, Grande del Norte ought to do well, even if one or other of the two Kings run as well.

Pottenbush will start "hot favourite" in the 2nd Race, March Stakes (5 furlongs) with danger possibly from King Alan, Festive Eve, Bing Boy and Scooter. Pottenbush ought to win with either King Alan or Scooter getting the other places.

Unless the Macao races have taken too much out of September, he ought to annex the 3rd Race, Happy Valley Handicap "B" (6 furlongs). I understand that The Goblin is a likely starter, with a steady of 173 lbs. My money will be against this pony. Should there be a field of six or more, one of the 1927 subs. may be worth a small bet to upset the odds.

Lacada II will not be able to run in the 5th Race, Aberdeen Plate (4 miles) as this pony has won in Macao. Esporimay be favourite—and the winner.

If Lt. T. O. Bulteel rides Skidoo in the 7th Race, Stanley Stakes (4 miles), the subscription griffin champion will only have to carry 157 lbs. On form, I can hardly see one of the others reversing the verdict of the annual meeting. Bagheera does not seem to have kept the "big" meeting form but Kem Tong Hall and one of Messrs. Pyle & Belth's will meet with support.

In the 8th Race, Wanchai Handicap "B" (1 1/4 miles) my tip is Salvo for a win.

Betting ought to be very even in the last race, Wanchai Handicap "A" (1 1/4 miles) in which a string of reliable ponies are likely to run. At present, my selection is Battle Eve.

Not being a weather prophet, however, I prefer to hold over the "final" review and "tips" for to-morrow's issue with which, I hope, the rain will have stopped.

The annual Test match between Nigeria and the Gold Coast has just been played and won by the Coast team at Accra. The return will be played next season at Lagos. In order to play for Nigeria, one of the eleven had to walk 200 miles to get to the train to Lagos, and the team had to do nearly three miles in surf boats to land at Accra to play the same afternoon. On the losing side were B. Outram (Marlborough and Buckinghamshire), Capt. Sanger (Cheltenham, Sandhurst, and Army cricketkeeper), and Major D. A. Sewell (Bedford, Sandhurst and Buckinghamshire), who headed the Sandhurst bowling average in 1914 and took ten wickets in the Woolwich match won by the R.M.C.

BACK AGAIN!

OXFORD'S SPARE MAN AS STROKE.

CHANGES IN THE BOAT.

London, March 24.

A. Hankin (the spare man) is now stroking the Oxfords in the practice for the Boat Race.

P. Johnson (of Magdalen), the Deputy stroke, has returned to his original position at No. 2.—Reuter.

The difficulty has been caused by W. Llewellyn, the Dark Blue stroke, contracting measles. On Monday Hankin shaped excellently in his place. Then Hankin was dropped, Johnson (the No. 2) moved up to stroke and T. Peppercorn (Balliol) rowed at No. 2. But on Wednesday, Peppercorn was forbidden to row because of a boil on his wrist. Hankin, accordingly returns to stroke and Johnson goes back to No. 2 in place of Peppercorn.]

FULL COURSE TRIAL.

Cambridge's Time Under Rough Weather.

London, March 24.

Cambridge rowed a full course trial from Putney to Mortlake in 21 minutes, 17 seconds. Conditions were not ideal, with a strong head-wind and it was rough over the major part of the course.—Reuter.

Trials were done last Saturday as follows:—

Cambridge: 20 min. 8 sec., almost perfect water throughout, not a strong wind, tide conditions not exceptionally fast.

Oxford: 20 min. 15 sec., slightly more favourable conditions than Cambridge.]

At a meeting of the British-American Cup Committee held in London, which was attended by three American delegates from the Senawhaka Corinthian Yacht Club, an agreement was arrived at for the holding of another contest between teams of four 6-metre yachts representing Great Britain and the United States respectively to take place in 1928. The last British-American Cup was won outright by Britain in 1924.



Ty Cobb recently exonerated of complicity in baseball's latest scandal, signing his contract to play with the Philadelphia Athletics, in the presence of Connie Mack, the veteran manager, on the left, and Thomas S. Shibe, president of Philadelphia Club. The salary of the "star" was not made public, but is understood to be about \$75,000.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES AT H.K.C.C.

F. A. Redmond has entered the third round of the open singles championship at the H.K.C.C. tennis tournament. Yesterday's results were:—

Open Singles.—F. A. Redmond beat Hung Hui-chen 7-5, 6-3, 6-3.

Open Doubles.—Colonel C. Russell Brown and L. Forster beat H. Owen Hughes and E. Grimble 1-6, 4-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3; R. M. Henderson and A. Brearley beat Y. A. Wahab and S. A. Ismail 6-4, 6-2, 6-1.

Mixed Doubles.—Dr. R. E. and Mrs. Tottenham (ove 16/3) beat Mrs. Miller and H. J. Armstrong (rec. 16) 6-1, 6-1; Major W. B. Stevenson and Mrs. Stevenson beat Dr. J. R. Craig and Mrs. Craig (rec. 15) 9-7, 6-2.

To-day's Matches.—Open Singles.—H. D. Rumjahn v. H. Akiyama (2nd round); S. S. Hussain v. W. B. Cornaby (1st round).

Open Doubles.—Rev. F. P. W. Alexander and Major W. B. Stevenson v. Capt. Morris and G. Sturgess (2nd round).

Handicap Singles "A".—Major C. Willson (rec. 1/8) v. A. Ptery (rec. 15); R. M. Henderson (ove 2/8) v. F. D. E. Pondered (rec. 4/8); Dr. D. J. Valentine (rec. 1/8) v. D. S. Green (rec. 3/8).

Handicap Doubles.—J. R. Collis and Dr. C. H. Burton (rec. 15/2) v. E. Grimble and W. Owen Hughes (ove 8/8).

TENNIS TOUR.

BRITISH LADIES IN SOUTH AFRICA.

MISS FRY AT HER BEST.

Benoni, March 2.

Southern Transvaal defeated the British ladies' lawn tennis team by three matches to two.

Miss Fry gave her best exhibition of the tour. She played the baseline game throughout and was standstill personified, placing with superb accuracy.

She was down 3-5 in the second set, but with remarkable agility and anticipation she wrested the match from Mrs. Pencock's grasp. This was the latter's first defeat since Miss McKane beat her in 1925.

How the Scores Went.

The results were:—

Miss Fry (Great Britain) beat Mrs. Pencock 6-4, 8-6.

Mrs. Watson and Miss Dix (Great Britain) beat Mrs. Everitt and Miss Hopkins 6-1, 4-6, 6-0.

Mrs. Pencock and Miss Woods beat Miss Fry and Miss Saunders (Great Britain) 6-4, 7-5.

Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Neave beat Miss Harvey and Mrs. McIlquham 6-3, 6-2.

[The result of one match was not given.]

Complete Victory.

Pretoria, March 5.

The British ladies' lawn tennis team played Northern Transvaal. The following are the results:—

Mrs. McIlquham beat Mrs. Myburgh 6-1, 6-2; Miss Dix beat Mrs. Adkins 6-2, 6-2; Miss Harvey beat Mrs. McArthur 6-3, 7-5.

Mrs. Saunders and Miss Fry beat Mrs. Buchanan and Mrs. Cant 6-0, 7-5; Miss Harvey and Mrs. McIlquham beat Mrs. Myburgh and Mrs. McArthur 6-3, 6-3.

The tourists thus won all the five matches.

HIGH SCORING.

YESTERDAY'S "FRIENDLY" CRICKET.

High scoring prevailed yesterday when the Kowloon Cricket Club (on their own ground) just managed to draw in a friendly match with H.M.S. "Prohibitor." Scores:—

"Prohibitor": 215 runs (Lt. Garrett 67, Sub-Lt. Perton 20, Pay Lt.-Comdr. Read 37, J. C. Lyle 3 for 52, N. H. Ross 3 for 38, Smith 2 for 27).

Kowloon C.C. 151 runs for 9 wickets. (A. R. F. Raven 17, W.

SOCCER NOTES.

TO-MORROW'S LEAGUE PROBLEMS.

RUNNERS-UP POSITIONS.

[By "W.P.C."]

Five league soccer matches are down for decision to-morrow, the problems being nearly all in connection with the positions of runners-up in two divisions. Fixtures are as follow:—

Division I.

Hong Kong F.C. v. Chinese Athletic, H.K.F.C. ground, 4.30 p.m.

Royal Artillery v. Club de Recreo, Sookumpoo "A" ground, 4.30 p.m.

Division II, Section "A."

Hong Kong F.C. Reserves v. Kowloon F.C. Reserves, H.K.F.C. ground, 3 p.m.

Chinese Athletic "A" v. South China Reserves, Sookumpoo "A" ground, 3 p.m.

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Club de Recreo Reserves v. Royal Artillery Reserves, King's Park, 3 p.m.

Once more the senior champions (Club de Recreo) have to visit Sookumpoo and they should win.

Chinese Athletic are best placed to annex the runners-up medals in division I and a great deal will depend on their ability to tackle the Club. The Chinese still play pretty football but have been unable to do the right thing at the critical moment. If there is to be a turn to the long lane, they should get full points from a Club team which will not be at its strongest.

Kowloon Reserves are engaged in division II. They are in the final of the Junior Shield, in which they have to meet the Kobies Reserves. Kowloon should beat the Club 2nd XI and their performance may give some indication as to their prospects in the Shield.

Chinese Athletic "A" and the Artillery Reserves are, at present, favourites for second berth in division II, section "A." To-morrow, the Athletic have slightly the easier engagement, at Sookumpoo, against South China Reserves, whereas the Gunners visit the Recreo at King's Park.

By to-morrow evening, the problems of second place should have been partially solved.

FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY.

Starting times on the Fanling course, Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, on Sunday are as follow:—

9.28 a.m. Comdr. Aubrey, F. D. Wood.

9.32 H. G. Hegarty, R. W. Lee.

9.36 D. M. Goodall, W. J. Shenton.

9.40 A. E. Lissaman, A. O. Brown.

9.44 G. Murray, C. C. Stark.

9.48 J. D. H. Crawford, H. R. Forsyth.

9.52 D. Forbes, G. Davidson.

9.56 A. Leach, A. D. Humphreys.

10.00 J. Coulthart, W. M. Cox.

10.04 A. Rieley, R. K. Hepburn.

10.08 M. H. Turner, V. M. Grayburn.

10.12 G. B. Layton, A. B. Raworth.

10.16 A. W. Hodges, A. R. Cox.

10.20 J. F. Kennedy, F. Austin.

10.24 G. P. Lammert, E. P. Fletcher.

10.28 W. L. Dunbar, L. R. Andrews.

10.32 P. P. J. Wodehouse, J. S. McLaren.

10.36 A. W. Roberts, N. K. Littlejohn.

10.40 Capt. Morris, D. G. Bruce.

10.44 T. L. Christie, D. J. Gilmore.

10.48 F. Cowherd, S. Hewkin.

10.52 J. Fleming, E. M. Bryden.

10.56 J. Harrop, S. T. Butlin.

11.00 E. Grimble, H. G. Sheldon.

11.04 J. Thayer, H. Spicer.

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"Fulham Football Club" has announced that at all their home games spectators will be admitted for half-time at half price.

Ebbw Vale Association Club, now members of the Welsh and Southern Leagues, are to make application for admission to the Third Division of the English Football League, in which Newport County, Aberdare Athletic, and Merthyr Town are now the only Welsh representatives.

Do not forget that there are more bottles sold each year of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy than of any other cough medicine. Have you a bottle of it in your home? It is good for the children and the grown-ups too. Every user is a friend. For sale everywhere.

AMBIDEXTERITY.

THE ABILITY TO USE BOTH HANDS.

ETON EXPERIMENT.

London.—Is ambidexterity on the increase? Or is modern science, with its labour-saving devices, robbing us of the ability to use both hands? Such was the London "Weekly Dispatch" is the problem which has arisen from Sir James Barrie's confession that his right hand, "horrified at the sight of his caligraphy," suddenly ceased to function some eight years ago.

"As far as my own experience goes, there are fewer left-handed people than ever," says Mr. Eustace Miles, an expert on the subject.

"This is curious, for the training of the left hand is easily mastered. Experiments made in America have proved that when the right hand has been trained to do anything, the left hand can be trained to do the same thing in about one-sixth of the time that the right hand took to learn."

"Without doubt, the occasional use of the left hand must be a rest for the right when it is tired, and in my opinion it would be a rest for the left side of the brain."

Two-Handed Trades.

"The Japanese, who are not only a progressive race, but a very ingenious one, make ambidexterity a part of their training. This seems to me very wise, for it is calculated that there are 30 employments in which skill with both hands is necessary, and about 400 in which it is advantageous."

Sir Robert Baden-Powell, on the other hand, believes that ambidexterity is not only increasing, but will have a material influence on physical development in the future. He himself is ambidextrous, and his experience is that there is far more ambidexterity among youths than before our movement started."

Yet another school of theorists, of which Dr. Alington is one, is inclined to the belief that ambidexterity is wrong.

Risk of Idiocy.

"Not long ago Eton College was made the subject of an experiment," it was explained. "An eminent scientist has discovered that by using the right hand they developed the left side of the brain."

"It was thought that by using the left hand the right-hand side of the brain could be developed. So it was decided to start boys writing with the left hand. But another psychologist discovered that if you develop both sides of your brain at once, you become an idiot. The experiment was hurriedly dropped."

Famous ambidextrous people in history include Queen Victoria, Leonardo da Vinci, Holbein, Landseer, Alexandre Dumas, Sir Oliver Lodge, Carlyle, and Canon Lytton. Lord Phillimore and Lord Darling, too, write with both hands.

Ambidexterity in animals is also a subject which it still under experiment. Orang-outangs are right-handed, whereas gorillas and chimpanzees are left-handed.

EXPLOITING THE CLERGY.

Stated to have been "gazetted" in church magazines owing to his persistent cagging from kindhearted clergy and Nonconformist ministers, Frederick Ayres (35), of Great Peter Street, Westminster, was charged at Marylebone Police court with being an idle and disorderly person. When arrested, it was stated, Ayres had in his possession a long list, bearing the names and addresses of clergymen and Nonconformist ministers.

The magistrate remarked that it was rather a shame to victimize the poor clergy in this way simply because they were kind and soft-hearted. He was afraid that these generous gentlemen were being "exploited." The missionary being willing to give the accused a chance, the magistrate bound over the accused.

GOVERNED FROM JAIL.

Edgewater (New Jersey), Feb. 13. Arrangements are being made for the Mayor (Mr. Henry Wishe), who was sentenced to a year's imprisonment in connection with rum-running, to continue to govern the city from his cell in the Atlantic Penitentiary. A great deal of feeling was stirred up when Mr. Wishe was found guilty, and a petition signed by all the city's school children, induced the judge to reduce the sentence from two years to one year. The case, which involved the chief of police, who was also found guilty and sentenced to a similar term, has divided the city into two camps, the women declaring that they will petition the Governor to unseat the Mayor, while the latter's resignation, it is believed, will not be accepted by the board of aldermen.

The announcement that Whysall's benefit match, last season realised \$228 emphasises the wide difference that exists between the benefits of professional cricketers in various countries. Two seasons ago Roy Kliner's benefit at Bradford brought in more than \$4,000, while \$5,000 raised by subscriptions has just been given to Mr. F. C. Toome, the Yorkshire secretary, as a testimonial.

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Banks.			
Hongkong Bank	1080 b	1085 sa	1090 a
do. London	111 1/2	—	111 1/2 n
Chartered Bank	221 n	221 n	—
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	231 n	232 n	—
do. C.	213 1/2 n	213 1/2 n	—
P. & O. Bank	29 1/2 n	210 n	—
Bank of East Asia	74 b	67 b	71 n
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance	\$662 1/2 b	\$53 b	\$660 b
China Underwriters	80 cts b	73 cts b	80 cts n
North China Insurance	1145 n	140 n	—
Union Insurance	202 b & sa	201 b	202 b
Yangtze Insurance	\$38 M. n	40 n	—
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance	205 b	200 b	—
H.K. Fire Insurance	640 b	620 b	640 b
Shipping.			
Douglases	31 n	31 b	31 n
Hongkong Steamboats	20 s 19 sa	19 b 19 1/2 sa	19 n
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	1.10 n	2 1/4 n	1 1/4 n
Indo-China (Pref.)	30 n	30 n	30 n
do. (Def.)	40 b	40 n	40 n
Shell Transport	59 1/2 s	55 b	96 1/2 n
Star Ferries	53 1/2 a	53 b 54 a	54 n
Water-boats	14 n	13 1/2 b	14 n
Refineries.			
China Sugars	22 n	15 b 16 s	14 1/2 b
Malayan Sugars	31 n	30 n	31 n
Mining.			
Benguet	1.40 b	—	—
Kailan Mining Ad.	38 n	42 1/2 n	40 1/2 n
Langkats (Combined)	\$22 n	22 b	21 1/2 b
do. (Single)	10 1/2 n	12 b	—
Shanghai Exploration	14 n	4 b	—
Shanghai Loan	7 n	6 b	—
Raubs	4 s	3 1/2 b	3 1/2 n
Tronoh Mines	21 1/2 n	—	—
Ural Caspian	8 1/2 n	21 1/2 b	—
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves	99 b 102 s	98 sa	99 a
H.K. & W. Docks	40 n	35 b 37 s	40 n
Hongkew	150 n	—	150 b
New Engineerings	15 1/2 n	15 1/2 b	14 1/2 n
Shanghai Docks	1101 b	102 b	101 b
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels	7 b 7 1/2 sa	7 b	7 1/2 n
Hongkong Lands	52 1/2 b	52 b 52 1/2 sa	52 1/2 n
Hongkong Realty	6 b	6 b	6 n
H.K. Territorial	2 1/2 n	1 s	2 s
Humphreys Estates	12 1/2 b	12 1/2 b	12 1/2 n
Prince's Building	89 n	87 a	—
Rural Lands	1 1/2 s	—	—
Cotton Mills.			
Ewo Cottons	7 1/2 n	7 1/2 n	7 1/2 n
Oriental	7 1/2 n	7 1/2 n	7 1/2 n
Shanghai Cottons (old)	154 n	54 n	54 n
do. (new)	7 1/2 n	27 n	28 n
Miscellaneous.			
Canton Ice	5 n	4 s	5 n
Cements (comb.)	—	7 b	7 n
do. (old)	6 n	6 b	6 n
do. (new)	1 1/2 n	1 b	1 n
China Buses	9 1/2 n	—	—
China Lights (comb.)	14 b	14 s	14 n
do. (old)	11 n	10 1/2 n	10 n
do. (new)	6 1/2 b	7 n	7 n
China Prov.	3 1/2 n	4 b	3 1/2 sa
Dairy Farms	16 1/2 n	16 1/2 s	16 1/2 n
Der A. Wing	6 n	5 s	—
Hongkong Amusements	17 1/2 n	18 1/2 n	18 1/2 n
H.K. Constructions	2 1/2 n	2 1/2 n	2 1/2 n
Hongkong Electrics	5 1/2 n	50 sa	5 1/2 n
H.K. Ropes (old)	10 s	6 s	7 s
do. (new)	5 s	1 s	2 s
Hongkong Tramways	20 1/2 b	20 1/2 sa	20 1/2 b
Lane, Crawfords	35 n	7 n	7 n
Macao Electrics	37 b	—	—
Mackintosh	19 1/2 n	—	—
Nanyang Tobaccos	—	9 1/2 b	—
Peak Trams (old)	15 1/2 b	15 b	15 b
do. (new)	8 1/2 b	8 n	8 n
Sinceres	8 1/2 b	9 1/2 b	9 s
Singapore Trams	11 1/2 b	9 1/2 b	10 1/2 b
Taxis	1 s	70 cts. b	65 Cts. n
United Asbestos	—	—	—
do. (Founders)	—	6 1/2 n	—
do. (Ordinary)	20 n	18 n	—
Watsons	12 1/2 n	12 s	12 n
Wm. Powells	6 1/2 n	5 s	5 n
H.K. Telephones	3 1/2 b	3 1/2 b	3 1/2 n

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MUSIC IN ITALY.

Has the Glory Now
Departed?

Shades of Palestrina, Bellini, Donizetti, Rossini, Verdi! In Italy no longer to supply the world with music and song! asks A. Beaumont, writing from Rome for the "London Daily Telegraph." The terrible question looms up when one reads the report of the seven leading Maestros, Giordano, Lualdi, Respighi, Zandonai, Pizzetti, Alfano, and others who have rejected all the compositions of the young Maestros of Rome and Milan! They were called upon as an official committee of mature and successful operatic composers to award the prizes to seventeen new operas written by seventeen young musicians, their pupils, proposed by the Ministry of Fine Arts in Rome, and they unanimously decided that not one of the seventeen new works was worthy of being produced on the stage. Therefore no prizes were to be awarded, and all the efforts of the young Verdis and Rossinis were in vain!

This happened only a week ago, and the fact was recorded amid dependency. It argued badly for Italian lyric art, and the Press, with patriotic feeling, concealed its disappointment. A few days before the same illustrious committee submitted to Mussolini a paper on the "Grave Crisis of Italian Opera," which Mussolini read, with the greatest attention and afterwards discussed with them personally. Lualdi, talking on the subject later, said that the greatest trouble today is the indifference and almost the hostility of the public as regards contemporary productions for the stage. People get more enthusiastic over a new charvari or a jazz band than over a new opera. The happy days are gone by when a new opera was discussed in the cafes and drawing-rooms with ardour and passion as used to be the case a 100 or even fifty years ago, when there was a scramble for seats, and even riotous demonstrations. At the time of Rossini, Bellini, and Donizetti the eagerness for new operas was such that impresarios scoured the musical conservatories for youthful composers of the slightest promise, whom they immediately commissioned. This is how some of the old masters made their debut as composers at an exceedingly early age. Rossini was 18 when his first opera was given, Donizetti 21, and Bellini only 17. In opening a career thus early to young composers, the impresarios only satisfied the public taste and clamour which wanted a continuous supply of new works.

To-day it is all changed. It fills one with melancholy when one reads the prospectus of any opera house at the opening of a new season. Public taste is now just the contrary, apparently to what it was last century. The whole season of an opera house is practically filled with a repetition of the long-standing works of the repertoire, and it is a wonder if occasionally one new opera is "announced." The world over we have an incessant repetition of the Barber of Seville, "Traviata," "Rigoletto," or the Wagnerian operas. Living composers are happy if they can squeeze in and take a second place in public favour. The ghosts of the great composers of the past frighten away the living. Italy, which was once the happy land that supplied most of the musical and operatic novelties, is threatened with losing her prestige altogether.

The same public interest in operas is no longer shown as it was only twenty or thirty years ago, when peasants in country carts and wagons came to Parma, Milan, or Bologna, not to mention Naples, and slept in stables and lofts with their whole families around them. To-day the impresarios find it difficult to fill their houses. They pull along as best they can from season to season continually on the verge of failure. The great publishing houses are partly in fault also; because they do not want to take the risk of a new opera, and prefer to continue to draw revenue from the works of the repertoire of which they keep jealous possession. The public also wants to see operas staged without regard to expense, and the impresarios can no longer afford it. The only hope left is State intervention on a magnanimous scale, and this Mussolini has promised. But he also expressed the opinion that composers and impresarios might do well to try to supply real good music which the

"ROBINSON CRUSOE" FILMED.

Scenes Taken on Tobago Island.

After spending nine weeks in Tobago Mr. M. A. Wetherell has completed the filming of Robinson Crusoe's sojourn on his desert island and has sailed for England. Tobago has been thought to be the island on which Defoe placed his hero, and Mr. Wetherell declares that for photographic purposes its scenery and climate are unsurpassed.

Playing the part of Crusoe, Mr. Wetherell was able to secure the whole of the company required for these scenes from local natives and white residents.

About 100 negroes took part in the cannibal scenes, while the personnel of the British ship and the mutineers was supplied by members of the planting community.

Man Friday.

A remarkable discovery was "Man Friday," a young coloured man who had been engaged to drive the motor-car of the party. He confessed that he had once acted in the part in a school play.

Given the chance to show what he could do, he revealed himself as an accomplished actor.

Sites for the principal scenes answering with amazing fidelity to the descriptions in the book were found without difficulty.

There was the traditional "Robinson's Cave," wonderful stretches of desolate sandy beach, the famous "Look-out" at Mount Dillon, and great tracts of dense tropical forest. Mr. Wetherell found that a Robinson-Crusoe myth was firmly established in the minds of the local negroes, who entertained no doubts about his actual residence on the island.

Buried Treasure.

"Indeed, the visitor is seriously assured that 'Some old, old people here, Suh, does remember Robinson Crusoe'."

After the party had been working there for two or three weeks the story was spread amongst the natives that the cinematographic business was a blind.

The expedition had really come to search for Robinson Crusoe's treasure. This is another local tradition, the belief being that Crusoe fetched a valuable treasure from the wrecked ship and buried it in a cave on the island.

The cave is said to have been visited, and an old canister is said to have been observed, but always as the search party approached this object the candle was blown out by supernatural means and a hurried retreat followed.

"THE MIKADO" FILMED IN COLOUR.

Among the unique features of the "Gaumont Mirror," the new British screen weekly, which has been extensively booked for showing in the cinema from February onwards, is an item giving excerpts from "The Mikado" in colour, which takes on a particular interest because of Mr. Charles Rockett's newly designed costumes of the 1720 period.

Among the artists appearing in the film are Darrell Fancourt, Charles Goulding, Henry Lytton, Leo Sheffield, John Huntington, Elsie Griffith, Aileen Davis, Beatrice Elburn, and Bertha Lewis.

Before they sailed for Canada the whole company crowded into one of the Gaumont private theatres to see themselves on the screen for the first time—and found the experience so immensely amusing that they shrieked with laughter from beginning to end.

general public could appreciate, and which made the fame and fortune of the great composers of the past, and with this rather enigmatical dictum he dismissed the illustrious committee who in their turn had been so hard on the young geniuses of the conservatories.

It remains to be seen whether in a year or two a sudden change will not take place under the impulse of the great Fascist Duce, who whilst directing the destinies of Italy also finds time to indulge in playing the violin.

THRILLS IN MUSIC.

Era of the Great Singers.

At first, the question that Americans asked was, how to get a thrill out of opera music. They arrived at an answer clearly, according to abundant testimony, both oral and written, in the period, roughly, from 1885 to 1900, which may be called that of the great singers. Next the question arose, how they could get a thrill out of symphony music. They accomplished this quest in the period 1900 to 1925, which may be called that of the great conductors. At present, the question which piques their curiosity is, how they may get a thrill out of quartet music. For the third time, answer seems forthcoming, and in a period quite near, which may be called that of the great ensemble interpreters.

Not but that opera performance reached remarkable heights now and then in the earlier decades, and symphony performance in the later ones of the nineteenth century; not but that quartet performance, likewise, has often been brilliant in the course of the twentieth century, as far as counted off. Still, says the "Christian Science Monitor," the grand thrill of such things undoubtedly demands long preparation, and the day of the quartet in the United States can hardly be described as farther along than at the dawning.

Definition of the word, American, necessarily affects the case. For, strictly speaking, American opera performance has always been Italian, German, or French; while American symphony performance has been mixed German, French, Italian, Russian and much else. But the proof of music is in the listening. The keenest opera audiences were indisputably those of from thirty to forty years ago; the most penetrating symphony audiences have been those of the last twenty-five years; whereas really independent and shrewdly discerning quartet audiences are scarcely yet developed.

Formerly, American quartets were recruited from orchestras. A concert master broke away from submission to the baton, got another violinist, a viola player, and a violoncellist to join him, and went on the concert circuit presenting the chamber music classics. Immeasurable good resulted, but truly, no remarkable thrill. To-day, artists who have made the acquaintance of the American listener as solo players and have discovered in him a desire for a higher emotional experience than can be had from the Mendelssohn concerto for violin, the orchestral episode of Berlioz with the solo viola part, or the Haydn concerto for violoncello in D, are beginning to institute quartets.

Notably, Mischa Elman drops a large portion of his business if that is proper to say, as virtuoso, and assembles a group of four to offer Beethoven, opus 59, Nos. 1, 2 and 3; Brahms opus 51, Nos. 1 and 2, and other things of like significance to the consideration of the musical public. Mr. Elman's renown as a solo violinist by no means assures the outcome. His known temperament as an interpreter, however, indicates the purpose; which is, to give Americans a long-expected, and perhaps overdue, thrill.

CLEVER CHILD.

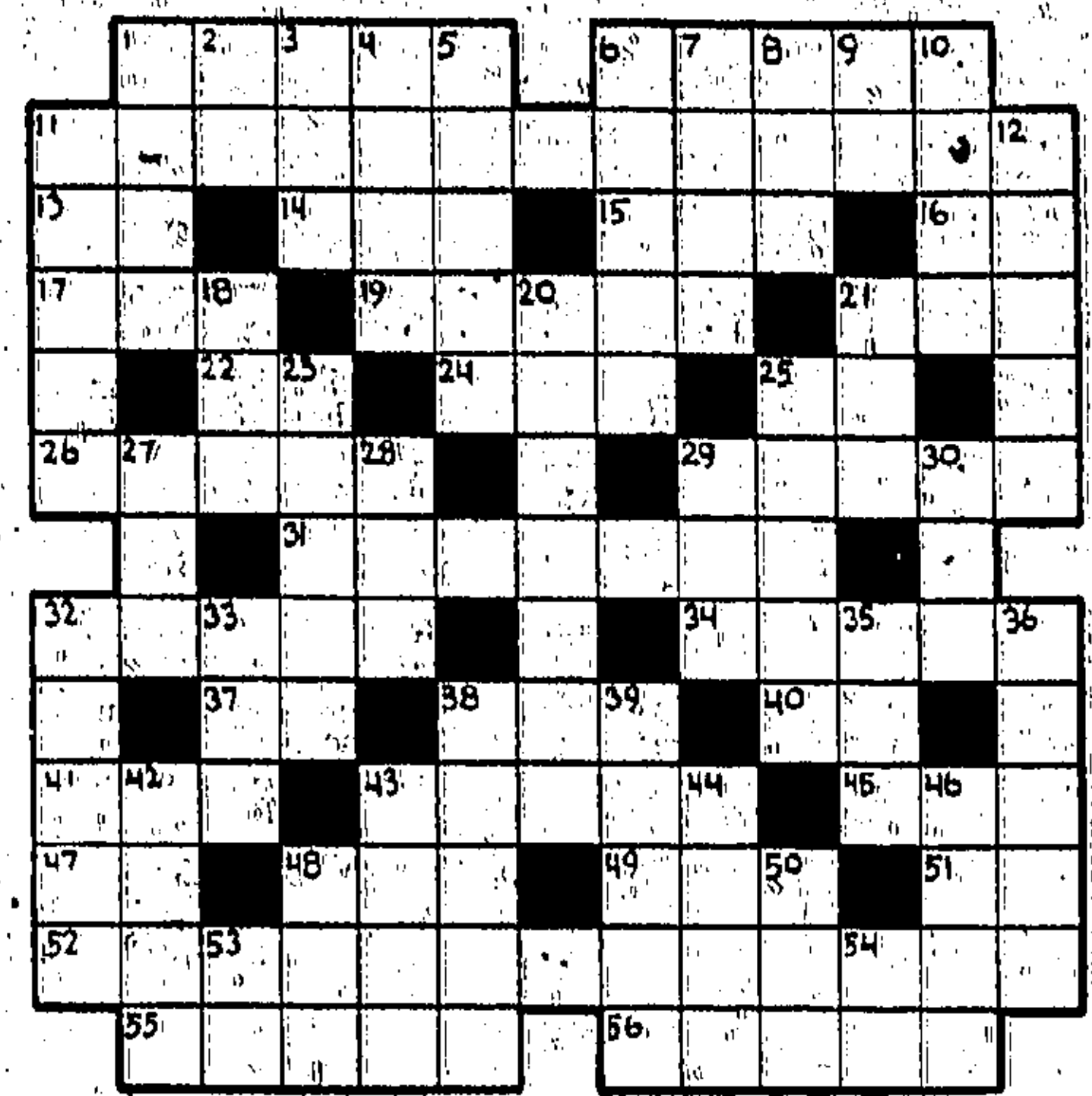
A Great Reception in Paris.

Something like a sensation has been caused by the appearance in the Salle Gaveau of a 10-year-old American violinist with the strange name of Yehudi Menuhin. The musical critics are in agreement in hailing him as an "enfant prodige" and a real virtuoso. Yehudi Menuhin evoked plaudits almost delirious in their expression by his execution of Lalo's "Spanish Symphony," the "Scherzo" of Wieniawski, and the sixteenth-century melody of Joseph Achron.

The strange thing about this youthful musical genius is that his parents do not understand music. His father was connected with various schools in San Francisco and the child was taken to concerts. When he was three years old, he expressed a wish to learn to play the violin, and at five he had a master, Mr. Louis Persinger, formerly solo violinist of the Berlin Phil-

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL

- 1-Defect
- 6-Dialect
- 11-Argumentative discourse
- 13-For example (Latin-abbrev.)
- 14-Self
- 15-Wager
- 16-Thou (pl.)
- 17-A venomous snake
- 18-Biblical oil
- 21-Chopping tool
- 22-Army Corps (abbr.)
- 24-By means of
- 25-Prize meaning "twice"
- 26-To beat violently
- 29-To enrol
- 31-Entertained
- 32-Flock
- 34-Donor
- 37-Right (abbr.)
- 38-Marry
- 40-A college degree (abbr.)

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 41-To flow out
- 43-Loaded
- 45-Horse
- 47-Group of States (abbr.)
- 49-To note down
- 49-Read over
- 51-Pronoun
- 52-Reflection
- 53-Grave; serious
- 55-Yellow part of an egg (pl.)

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 20-Postponed
- 21-To be ill
- 23-French landscape painter
- 25-To darken or obscure
- 27-Pronoun
- 28-River-bottom
- 29-Importance
- 30-Reverential fear
- 32-To mingle harmoniously
- 33-Sphere
- 35-Large commercial vehicle
- 36-Stomach
- 36-Colorless liquid
- 38-Rot
- 42-Insect (pl.)
- 43-A prosthesis, especially a globular
- 44-Observe
- 46-Seed of wheat (pl.)
- 48-Small sail on a schooner
- 50-Nothing
- 53-Behold
- 54-Two letters meaning "all right"

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words start at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

harmonic Orchestra. The boy studied with passion. He is stated to have received \$5,000 for every concert he gave, and his parents declined a contract offered to him for \$100,000. He will remain in Europe for educational purposes for a year, but will continue his musical studies under M. Georges Enesco.

Yehudi Menuhin was born in New York. His father is descended from a Palestinian family and his mother's ancestors were Tartars. His favourite composers are Beethoven, Mozart, and Bach, but he is keenly interested in the modern school of music. For him the violin is an amusement, and it is the wish of his parents that he shall consider it as such for a long time to come.

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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

Chatham Dockyard's quota of discharges for March and April will be 700 men.

Street vendors are not to be allowed in the principal thoroughfares of Oxford between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Representations of the Leasehold Reform Association are to be placed before the Government in connection with forthcoming legislation.

British fishermen are being refused permission to land in Iceland and the Faroe Islands owing to fears that they will spread influenza.

"To be late is unforgivable," said Lord Colwyn, fining himself £5 for being half an hour late in taking the chair at a meeting of the Manchester Children's Hospital.

When James Sharples was remanded at Manchester on a charge of obtaining a guinea by means of a worthless cheque it was stated that there were at least 60 warrants out against him.

Suicide while of Unsound Mind was the verdict at the inquest on Mr. William Alfred Jones, formerly a member of the drapery firm of Jones Brothers, Holloway-road, N., who was found shot dead at Fitzroy Farm, Highgate, N.



Col. James C. Waddell, of the American prohibition unit, who is organizing a school for the training of Government agents in the inspection of breweries and alcohol plants. The course will last about a month and 200 or 300 men will take the studies.

Daniel Ridge, a 17-years-old District Messenger boy, left Waterloo by the "Aquitania" boat train on the way to New York with half a dozen packages of gramophone "master" records for the Beethoven centenary celebrations.

The Rev. Joseph Wellington Hunkin, fellow, dean, and tutor of Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, and chaplain to the King, has been appointed rector of St. Andrew with Holy Trinity, Rugby, and Archdeacon of Coventry.

An unknown portrait of the Abbot Huber, by the famous 18th-century French painter Quentin de La Tour, has been secured for the Geneva Museum by its director, M. Gelly, who discovered it at a country house in Switzerland.

"There are too many Civil Servants and to keep them employed, the authorities make them work short hours and do unnecessary things," declared Sir Hugh Bell at the meeting of the Dock and Harbour Authorities' Association in London.

Arrested in the Artists' and Musicians' Club Ham Yard, Great Windmill-street, W., Frederick Ford and Alfred George Chandler were sentenced respectively to 15 months and 12 months' hard labour for receiving a brooch knowing it to have been stolen.

Among drawings sold at Messrs. Christie's, "Ben Lomond," by Copley Fielding, realised £430 10s. and "The Thames at Twickenham," by P. de Wint, £304 10s.; while Corot's painting on panel "Le Chateau Sainte Marie a Cremieu," fetched £304 10s.

When John Mandeville Wilmet, late of Park Mansions, S.W., attended for public examination at the London Bankruptcy Court, he said that in November 1925 he inherited £7,500, the whole of which had disappeared by April 1926. He had spent about £1,000 at one night club.

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A dispute, affecting about 2,500 men, at Risco Colliery Monmouthshire, has been settled.

While dancing in the Wellington rooms, Grimsby, Ruby Lambert, aged 18, collapsed and died in the arms of her partner.

Three horses were burnt to death in a fire which destroyed a stable and hayloft at Low Copple Farm, Upper Hallam, near Sheffield.

Thirty-six cases of small-pox were notified in Sheffield in mail week, compared with an average of 57 for the previous six weeks.

Mrs. Elizabeth Floyd, of Brimsdown, Middlesex, who was born at Hockworthy, near Tiverton, North Devon, has celebrated her 101st birthday.

The body of Arthur Wellington, aged 42, an electrician, of Dover, who had been staying with a relative at Margate, and who had been reported missing, was washed up by the sea at Westgate-on-Sea.

The French despatch vessel "Quentin Roosevelt," 610 tons, which is engaged on fishery protection service, is on a visit to London, and is anchored in the Thames near Tower Bridge, where she will remain for about 10 days.

When Arthur Bell was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour for theft from a Notting Hill-gate jeweller's, Miss Turner and Miss Spence, of Linden-gardens, Kensington, W., were thanked for having given the police an exact description of Bell.

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After 45 years' Poor Law service Sir James Curtis, clerk to the Birmingham guardians, has resigned.

A servant girl in a small town in Saxony has inherited £1,000,000 from an uncle who died in the United States.

Totnes, Devon, County Bench refused an application by the Benedictine monks of Buckfast Abbey for an off licence for the sale of tonic wine.

The body of Miss Winifred Waldron, of Liverpool-road, Reading, who had been missing for more than a month, has been found in the Thames near Sonning.

A gold medal and star of the Order of the Bath awarded to Lieut.-Col. Sir William Johnson, who was severely wounded at Victoria (1813), were sold at Glendinning's for £95.

It has been decided by the governors of the University College of South Wales and Monmouthshire to approach the Government and the B.B.C. to try to get a broadcasting station for Wales.

The funeral of Mrs. Dundas, widow of Colonel Henry Lawrence Dundas and mother of Lady Chamberlain, wife of Sir Austen Chamberlain, who died at Brighton, took place at Mayfield, Sussex.

Mr. S. Minter, Parham, Suffolk, whose crop of sugar beets showed an average yield of 16.17 tons per acre with an average sugar content of 19.10 per cent, has been awarded the Mason Challenge Cup.

Lord Rochdale suggested at the annual general meeting of the British Olympic Association in London that the British Government should subsidise the British team at the Olympic games as Germany is doing.

Early in April, a delegation of the General Fascist Confederation of Italian Industries will visit London on the invitation of the Federation of British Industries for an exchange of views on industrial problems.

After celebrating the fact that he had been left £28,000, William Andrews, a Grimsby fisherman, found himself in the police court charged with drunkenness. "I have had a bit of a misfortune," he told the Bench. "I have lost an uncle and the shock was too much for me." They let him go.

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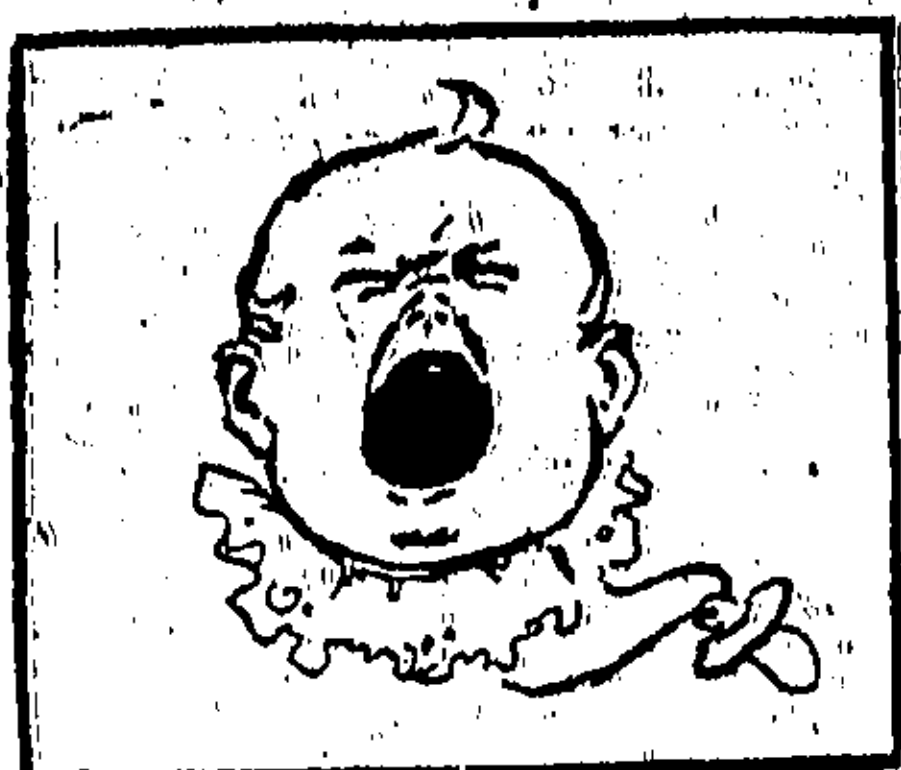
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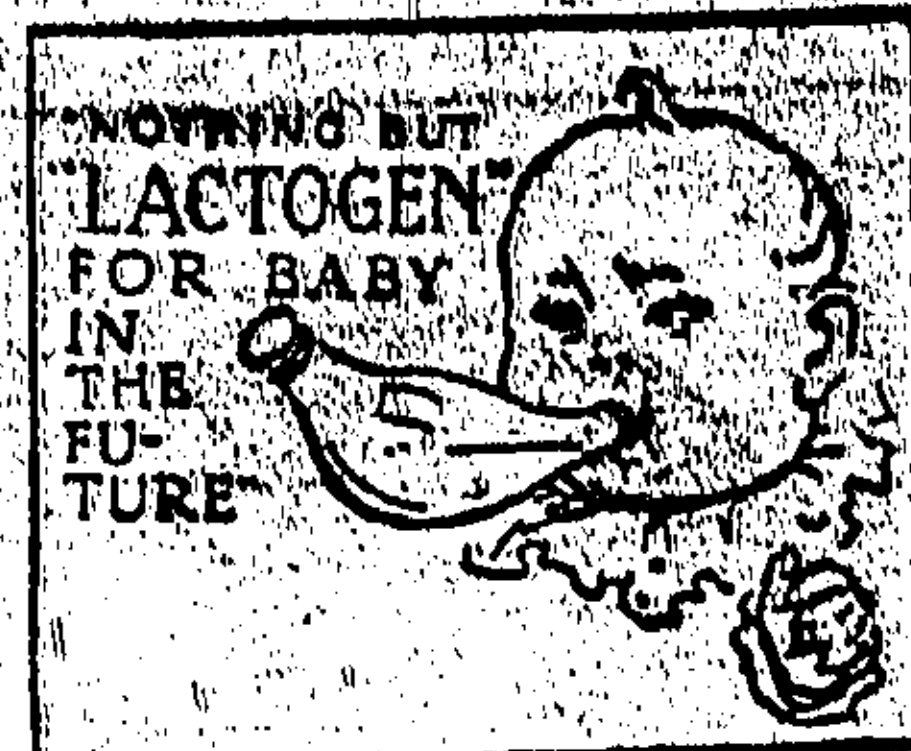
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SUNDAY, MARCH 26	
Europe via Negapatam (papers only London 24th Feb.)	Gogra.
MONDAY, MARCH 27	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Hayes.
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TUESDAY, MARCH 28	
Japan	St. Albans.
Saigon	Amazon.
Shanghai	Paul Locat.
TUESDAY, MARCH 28	
Europe via Suez (letters & papers London 3rd March and parcels 24th February)	Malwa.
FRIDAY, APRIL 1	
Japan & Shanghai	Macedonia.
SUNDAY, APRIL 3	
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Jackson.
MONDAY, APRIL 4	
Australia & Manila	Arafura.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per
FRIDAY, MARCH 25	
Amoy	Kutsang 5 p.m.
SATURDAY, MARCH 26	
Manila	Eelbeck 9 a.m.
Amoy	Tilleboet 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai & Japan	Emil Kirdar 12.30 p.m.
Wei Hai Wei, Tientsin & Europe via Siberia	Kueichow 2.30 p.m.
Saigon	Ponglee 3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 24th April. Registration 2.45 p.m. Letters 3.30 p.m.	Haruna Maru.
Straits and Calcutta. Parcels 3 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	Fook Sang.
Amoy	Antung 5 p.m.
Japan	Teesta 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, MARCH 27	
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Hosar Maru 8.30 a.m.
*Swatow & Bangkok	Kwangchow 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Gogra 9 a.m.
TUESDAY, MARCH 28	
Straits & Calcutta	Bingo Maru 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai & Japan	Amazon 12.30 p.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 29th April. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	Paul Locat.
Swatow	Kwongsang 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29	
Swatow, Amoy & Poochow	Hai Ching 1 p.m.
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OFFICIAL SECRETS.

Ex-Naval Officers In Court.

MISSING PLANS CHARGE.

London, March 24.
Colin Mayers was remanded at Bow Street to-day until April 2, bail again being refused.
Mr. Eustace Fulton, opening the case for the prosecution, said the defendant was alleged to have infringed the Official Secrets Act by retaining in his possession a number of plans relating to Submarine X1 and O1 entrusted to him by his chief officer, the Commander of H.M.S. "Dolphin".
Defendant was instructional officer and senior submarine officer at Gosport and Commander of Submarine M2. He retired on January 26 and entered the employment of Vickers, Barrow-in-Furness. Subsequently a number of plans issued to him were found to be missing.—Reuter.

Bow Street was crowded on March 17 for the opening of the case which a detective described as being of "extreme gravity." The detective, speaking in a whisper, asked for a remand, as considerable technical evidence had to be examined. Mayers' counsel asked for bail. He declared Mayers occupied a highly responsible position. The police opposed bail and the magistrate remanded Mayers in custody for a week.

According to the newspapers, Mayers was born in British Guiana, served in the submarine section, and retired on his own request a few months ago.

200 MILES AN HOUR.

ENGLISH RACING MOTORISTS' ATTEMPT IN AMERICA.

New York, March 24.
Failing to find a track in England deemed suitable for speeding at 200 miles an hour, Major Segrave has brought his 1,000 horse-power Sunbeam car to attempt to attain his aim on the Ocean speedway course. A preliminary warming up established a new American record of 166½ miles an hour.—Reuter's American Service.

LIBERAL VICTORY.

RESULT OF THE LEITH BY-ELECTION.

London, March 24.
The by-election at Leith to replace Capt. Wedgwood Benn, who resigned on joining the Labour Party, resulted as follows:—
Mr. Ernest Brown (Liberal) 12,461
Mr. R. F. Wilson (Labour) 12,360
Mr. Beaton (Conservative) 4,607
—Reuter.

When Leith, which has 22,459 men electors and 17,021 women electors, was fought in the last general election the poll resulted as follows:—
Capt. Wedgwood Benn, (Liberal) 16,569
Mr. R. F. Wilson (Labour) 11,250

BALKANS TROUBLE.

BRITAIN PACIFICS BOTH SIDES.

Rugby, March 24.
Replying to a question in the House of Commons, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, said the desire of His Majesty's Government being to remove so far as it could any cause of friction which might exist between Yugoslavia and the Italian Government on the subject of Albania, he had counselled moderation and conciliation both at Belgrade and Rome, and to the representatives of both governments in London.—British Wireless Service.

FIREMAN'S OPTIM.

The No. 1 Fireman of the s.s. "Apocry" was yesterday arrested by Revenue Officers for the unlawful possession of 149 tins of non-Government opium worth \$1,288. He was allowed personal bail in the sum of \$500.
This morning he failed to appear when the case was called before Mr. Lindell. The bail was arrested and the opium confiscated.

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LOCAL AMATEUR ENTERPRISE.

A love story, a boatswain who tells the crew that he is shocked, a crew that is terribly upset when the captain says "Dadamo," a first lord's ideas of every man's equality, except as regards himself, a plot in which Gilbert's well tried motif of the substituted child is exploited, combined with Sullivan's entrancing music—such is the mixture which comprises "H.M.S. Pinafore," which the Hong Kong Philharmonic Society produce next week.

The story of the opera is that Ralph Rackstraw, a fore-mast hand, loves the captain's daughter, but gives up the quest as hopeless until inspired by the First Lord's ideas of equality. Backed up by the crew, he determines to approach Josephine. This he does, but is repelled. When he threatens to himself, he is stopped at the last moment by Josephine, who tells him that she loves him.

An elopement is arranged, but the Captain is informed by Dick Deadeye, and stops the happy pair as they are about to leave the ship.

Sir Joseph appears on deck just in time to hear the Captain swearing at his discovery and sends him to his cabin in disgrace, and then finding that his proposed fiancée is in love with Ralph, orders the latter to the ship's dungeon. Little Buttercup, however, spoils all this by stating, as a baby farmer she changed the Captain and Ralph over in babyhood, and that the Captain is Ralph, and Ralph is the Captain. The First Lord takes Cousin Hebe, the Captain takes Buttercup, Ralph gains his love, and all ends happily.

The part of Sir Joseph Porter is taken by Mr. A. J. Brock, who will be remembered for his excellent presentation of the Lord Chamberlain in "The Pirates of Penzance," while Mr. R. M. Keown is Capt. Corcoran. Ralph is taken by a well-tried favourite in Mr. D. M. Richards, and newcomers in Mr. C. P. Marcel, Rev. N. V. Harward, and Mr. R. Dormer play Dick Deadeye, the Boatswain's Mate, and the Carpenter's Mate respectively. The busy little Middy is portrayed by Teddy Bullock, who is following in his father's footsteps, while the part of Josephine is taken by Mrs. C. P. Marcel, a soprano who has not hitherto been heard in the Colony.

Mrs. J. Hollidge as Cousin Hebe has a small but effective part, while Mrs. C. Watt's splendid contralto voice is heard to full advantage as Mrs. Chipp, or Little Buttercup, the Portsmouth Bumbay Woman.
The Opera is to be produced on Friday April 1, and for five performances after concluding on Saturday, April 9, including a Matinee on Wednesday, April 6, at which children are admitted half-price to all seats.

Booking plans are now open at Anderson's Music Store, and judging by the experience of the "Pirates," when all seats for the last two performances were booked up some days beforehand, our readers should lose no time in wedding their way thither. Prices are at popular rates, soldiers and sailors in uniform being admitted to the \$1 and \$2 seats at half-price.

Said to have been doing good business in firewood which she cut from Government plantation, a Wanchai woman was this morning fined \$100 or six weeks' hard labour by Mr. R. E. Lindell.

TREATY REJECTED.

HOLLAND AND BELGIUM DIFFER.

TWO PORTS' RIVAL CLAIMS.

The Hague, March 24.
The First Chamber by 33 votes to 17 votes rejected the Belgo-Dutch treaty already ratified by both Chambers of the Belgian Parliament and the Dutch Second Chamber.

The treaty inter alia gave the port of Antwerp certain advantages on the Scheldt, which aroused keen opposition in Holland, where it is feared that the trade of Rotterdam might be adversely affected.

Messengers from Brussels say that a semi-official statement deplored the decision which will make impossible the development on collaboration of Holland with Belgium in international affairs.

The statement says Belgium will insist on satisfaction of her legitimate claims.—Reuter.

200 YEARS' LINK.

HONOUR FOR THE FOREIGN SECRETARY.

Rugby, March 24.
A portrait of Sir Austen Chamberlain, the Foreign Secretary pointed by Isaac Coden, for the Cordwainers Company, with which Sir Austen Chamberlain's family has been associated for practically two centuries, was presented by the Prime Minister in the Cordwainers Hall.

Mr. Baldwin paid a tribute to the work of Sir Austen Chamberlain as Foreign Secretary. He said Sir Austen Chamberlain had been privileged to do the greatest work for this country, and as Foreign Minister, he would be remembered for many generations to come.

Mr. Baldwin concluded by testifying to the great work of Sir Austen Chamberlain at the League of Nations.—British Wireless Service.

Burglars who concealed themselves in the Vienna University building during the day forced three safes at their leisure during the night and stole the gold chain presented by the Emperor Francis Joseph for use by the rector on ceremonial occasions, and other valuable jewellery. Three men were observed leaving by a window at four o'clock in the morning, and one of them was arrested by a gendarme, but his accomplices escaped with the booty.

NOTICE.

NAVY LEAGUE.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the above will be held on TUESDAY, 28th instant at 5.30 p.m., in the Board-room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. (by kind permission) for the following purposes:—

- (1)—To receive the Report of the Committee and Statement of Accounts for the Past Year.
- (2)—To elect the Officers and Committee for the Ensuing Year.
- (3)—To transact any other Business of which due Notice has been given.

All Members are requested to attend.
L. M. WHYTE,
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